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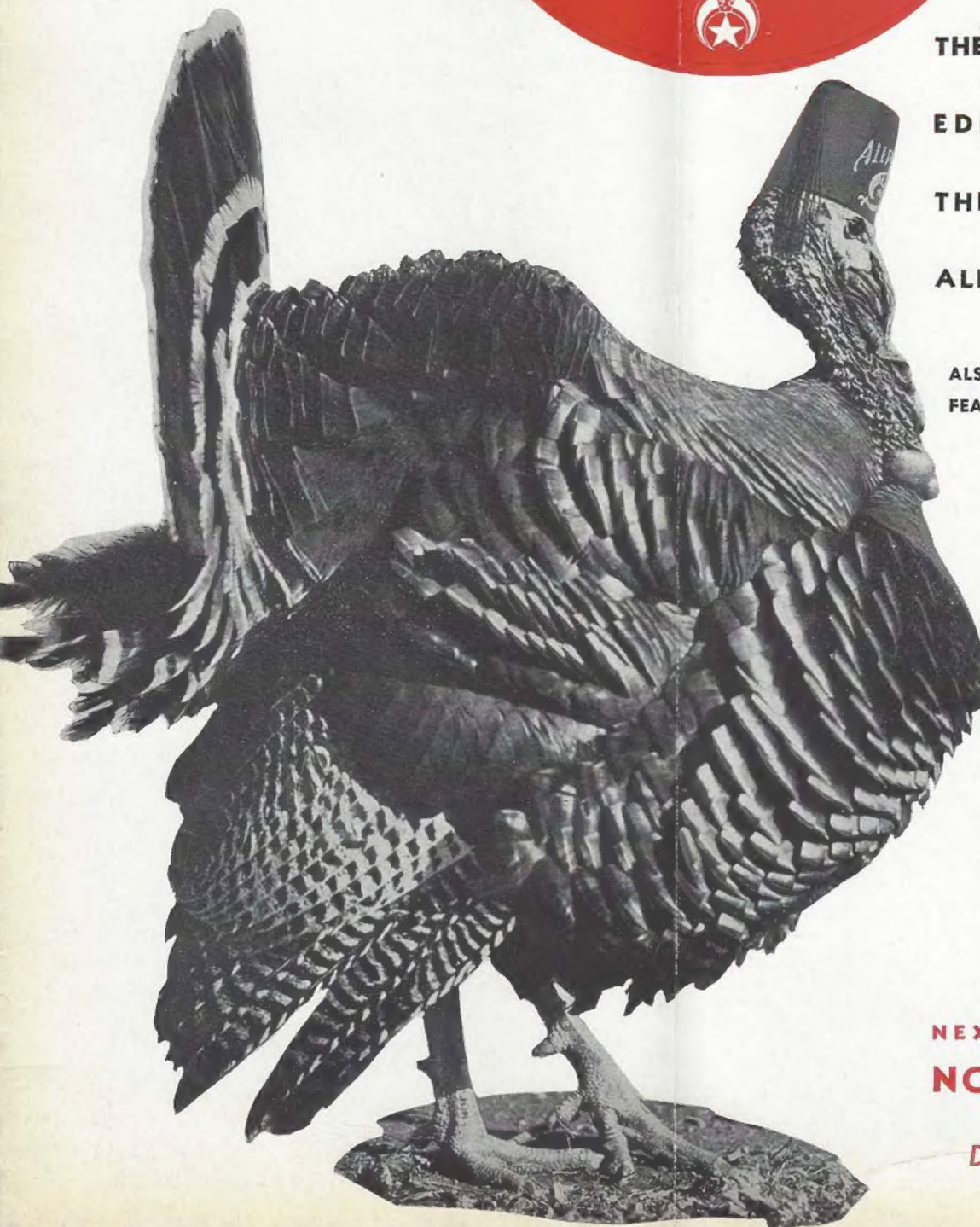
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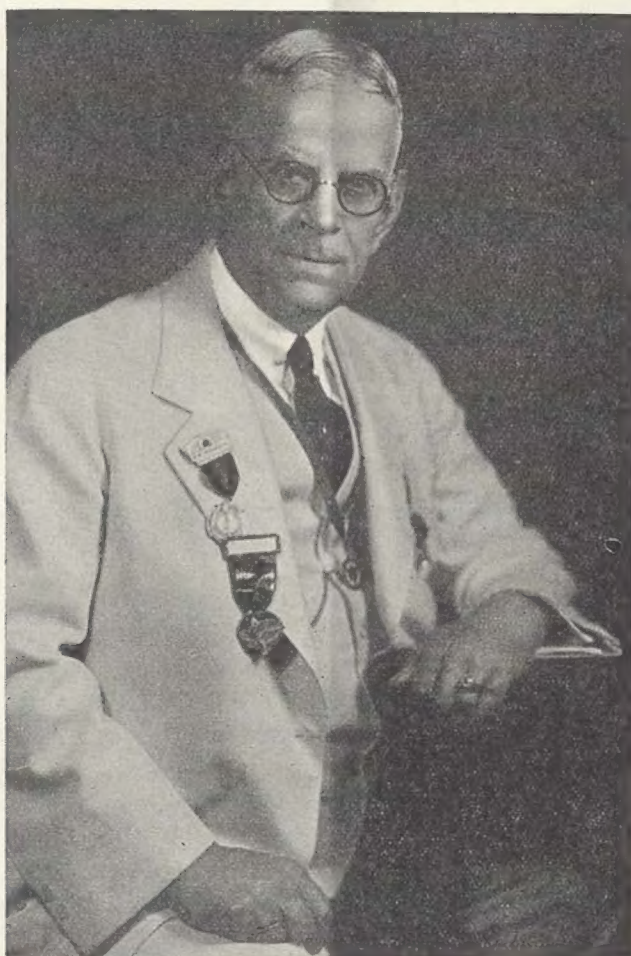
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WALTER W. MORRISON
Recorder

1895 — 1936! FORTY-ONE pleasant years a member of Aleppo! In 1895, there were 2,671 members — there are now nearly 12,000!

Some are prone to hark back to the "good old days." Well, that's all right with me, but these *present* days are "good old days" with their precious treasury of memories that neither time nor space can ever erase.

In my forty-one years in Shrinedom, I have met thousands of the best fellows in all the world, and I am lastingly indebted to Aleppo for the privilege of contacting and making thousands of friends in North America.

And being elected an Emeritus Member of the Imperial Council after being your Potentate for twelve years and your Recorder for nine, this is as good a time as any to thank you all, individually and as members of our great Temple, for conferring these honors upon me.

My best endeavors in the future will be to deserve your approval in the discharge of my duties as your Recorder.

Yours in the true Faith,

Walter W. Morrison
Recorder.

THE FALL CEREMONIAL

THE Fall Ceremonial of Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, was held Friday, October 30, 1936, in Mechanics Building, Boston, Massachusetts.

A business meeting for the purpose of receiving and balloting upon applications for membership was held at 4:00 P.M. in Talbot Hall. Chief Rabban Harry G. Pollard presided at this meeting in the absence of Illustrious Potentate Frank A. North. He was assisted by the elected and appointed officers of the Temple.

The list of applicants for the Order was read and balloted upon, resulting in the election of 21 candidates, 20 of whom were present. There were also five Nobles restored to membership and two elected to membership by affiliation.

The 20 candidates present were then escorted into the Temple where they witnessed the rendition of the first and third sections of the ritual as portrayed by the Ritualistic Degree Team, under the supervision of Noble Wilfred C. Mills. At the conclusion of this spectacular and impressive work, which was witnessed by several hundred members, the meeting was adjourned to 6:30 P.M.

From 5:00 to 7:00 P.M., the Chief Steward and his corps of assistants were kept busy serving an elaborate buffet dinner to over 4,000 Nobles who did a noble job on the food.

At 6:30 P.M., Chief Rabban Pollard called the meeting to order in Grand Hall for the transaction of further business and the final initiation of the candidates.

In the order of business, it was voted that the reading of the records of the Annual Stag Outing held August 25, be dispensed with.

Chief Rabban Pollard advised the Nobles present that he had just been in communication with Illustrious Potentate Frank A. North, who is at home recuperating after his recent illness, and who wished the Nobles a most enjoyable Ceremonial. He regretted the fact that he was unable to attend and hoped soon to be mingling among the Nobility as of yore. The Chief Rabban also advised the members that two very distinguished Nobles, Past Potentate and Commander of the Uniformed Units Fred E. Bolton and Band Leader Walter M. Smith were not able to be present on account of illness.

In the absence of Commander Bolton, Marshal Henry D. Cormerais and Adjutant Benjamin R. Vaughan took charge of the Arab Patrol, who gave an exhibition of fancy drilling, for which they were very heartily applauded.

Noble Walter M. Smith, Jr. very ably conducted the Shrine Band in a manner which reflected the skill and ability he inherited from his talented father.

The Aleppo Temple Choir under the direction of Noble Wilbur E. Davison, gave a concert, assisted by the Aleppo Band. Noble Franklin Field was the vocal soloist.

Recorder Walter W. Morrison then presented a motion which was duly seconded and unanimously passed, that a committee be appointed by Chief Rab-

ban, Harry G. Pollard to obtain a Past Potentate's jewel to be presented to Illustrious Potentate Frank A. North at the Annual Meeting, January 22, 1937.

Upon motion of Treasurer Frank W. Morrill, duly seconded and unanimously carried, it was voted that the Recorder be instructed to send a telegram to the Potentate of Mount Sinai Temple in session at Montpelier, Vermont, congratulating them on their Sixtieth Birthday Anniversary.

Upon motion of Assistant Recorder Harvey B. Legge, an Honorary Membership in Aleppo Temple was unanimously voted to Noble Edward A. Hare, who has so ably and generously assisted Aleppo Temple in the designing of the covers for THE ALEPPO MONTHLY NEWS for 1936.

At the close of the business session, the meeting was turned over to Director Stanley W. Stedfast, who, with the assistance of his very able Degree Staff, worked the second section on the candidates. During the work, Noble Stedfast introduced the Directors of Palestine and Kora Temples, who were accompanied by several members of their degree staffs, whose contribution added to the enjoyment of the meeting, for which they received hearty applause.

There were 4,400 members present at this Fall Ceremonial, and "a good time was had by all."



AN OLD-TIMER!

WE saw a newspaper clipping the other day with reference to accounts of men who think themselves the oldest member of the Masonic bodies. The clipping declared that Rufus McLellan of Lanesville, at Gloucester, Massachusetts, well might claim that title.

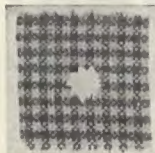
He was born in Waterboro, Maine, September 11, 1841, and moved to Lanesville with his parents when four years old.

He joined Asher Lodge of Masons at Rockport, Massachusetts, in September, 1864, and is still active at 95 years of age, attending the Lodge frequently, and having been a Mason for over 72 years without a break.

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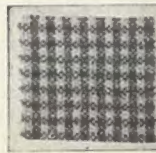
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AT the annual convocation of St. Matthews Royal Arch Chapter, Masonic Hall, 372 Broadway, South Boston, October 12, the following Nobles were installed into office:

Noble Lester F. Boyce was installed Excellent High Priest by Noble and Rt. Ex. Alexander Campbell with Noble and Ex. Comp. George A. Weeks as Deputy Grand Captain of the Host. Other Nobles installed were Scribner K. Page as Captain of the Host, Carl I. Priest as Royal Arch Captain, Robert W. Ripley as Tyler, and Rt. Ex. Alexander Campbell as Ritualist. Allan Campbell was reappointed Chaplain. Nobles Henry J. Foster and Charles W. Pike remain as Trustees of the Permanent Fund.

Dancing and refreshments followed the installation.



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Aleppo Bowling League Continues to Recruit New Members

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By VAIL K. HAAK

Associate Editor

THE heat of the election is over but the heat of the Shrine Bowling League is just starting. It might be cold this winter, but if you attend one of our get-togethers on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at the Boston City Club, you will have a hot old time. Good-fellowship, but keen rivalry, every match a thriller, may the best team win, and no holds barred! That's what makes bowling a great indoor sport.

We would like to welcome a few new members to our bowling "fanatics"—Nobles Simonton, Strough, Hale, Bearse and Dexter. If I have omitted any, please accept my humble apology and remind me of it at our next meeting.

Glad to see Noble John Eaton back with us October 23. He hurt his leg the day of the first meeting, but I guess it is O. K. again, judging by the 143 string that he rolled.

Whitworth, Jr., and your correspondent are fully convinced that Jim Greig, our esteemed President, and Gordon, our venerable vice-president, are either better bowlers (or luckier) than we are, or at least it so appeared after the match of October 22. They sure gave us a lesson in the technique of spares and strikes.

Pettit, I notice, is up to his old tricks, which proves that you can't keep a good bowler down. I remember him a few years ago when he and I battled in the Boston Commandery League. Speaking of that league, let us see if some of those bowlers show up for this league. Paging Charlie Rowell, Jim Currie, et. al!

I wonder whether Billy Watson prefers candlepins or Boston pins. I have seen him bowl both, and it doesn't seem to make any difference. When bowling candlepins, he wins turkeys and with Boston pins he cleans up on the cigars.

All the members of the League are through sparring and are ready to get down to brass tacks. Teams are to be formed and handicap rules prevailing, points will be kept each week. If you belong to a certain unit in the Shrine, why not form a team? The League's goal is 12 teams, and we now have the material for eight. Prizes will be awarded at the close of the season, individually and collectively. Further information will be given out verbally. Office Hours: 7:45 P.M. to 9:45 P.M. every bowling night.

ATTENTION! May I recall what I said in this column of the October issue of THE ALEPPO MONTHLY NEWS? Two

large loving-cups (beautiful tokens) will be presented at the end of the season. One of these cups is to be donated by our Potentate, and the other by THE ALEPPO MONTHLY NEWS through the earnest endeavors of our Assistant Recorder and Editor, Harvey Leggee. Every Noble, whether he bowls 70 or 105, will have an equal chance. The roll-off will be held under handicap rules.

Hurry up and join us so that you will be eligible to compete for these handsome trophies.

MATCHES THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8

Robbins	114	108	102
Howland	104	99	95
Pettit	104	97	82
Wilson	89	101	102
Grutchfield	98	87	95
Handicap	13	13	13
Totals			1516

Whitworth, Jr.	93	99	94
Whitworth, Sr.	80	89	94
Baker	96	108	92
Watson	124	125	89
Gordon	83	102	96
Handicap	0	0	0
Totals			1464

J. C. Juthe	80	85	95
Emery	88	75	82
Haak	89	81	97
K. A. Juthe	86	101	86
Greig	107	98	102
Handicap	25	25	25
Totals			1427

Burland	84	79	86
Whittemore	96	90	96
Seeley	85	110	109
Snook	90	110	98
Parker	81	77	80
Handicap	30	30	30
Totals			1461

MATCHES THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

Grutchfield	98	99	108
Howland	92	94	87
Simonton	79	108	85
Fitz	90	86	84
Baker	88	106	107
Totals			1411

Snook	81	91	97
Seeley	112	96	96
Haak	94	94	87
Parker	129	92	84
Whittemore	101	89	92
Totals			1435

Eaton	109	76	143
Emery	77	91	84
Bearse	90	101	98
Dexter	93	87	101
Greig	95	112	133
Totals			1490

Whitworth, Jr.	118	102	101
Whitmore, Sr.	86	103	74
Pettit	128	114	100
Rogers	90	102	81
Gordon	96	93	93
Totals			1451

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WORCESTER COUNTY SHRINERS

By C. WESTON RUSSELL

ABOUT 75 members of the Worcester County Shrine Club gathered in the Empire Room at Putnam and Thurston's Restaurant, Monday evening, October 19, to enjoy a roast-beef dinner. Among those seated at the head table were Noble Andrew M. Goff, President; Noble Dr. Raymond E. Hooper of Hudson, Vice-President; Noble William Ferguson of Milford, Vice-President; Noble Clarence E. Robbins, Vice-President; Noble Joseph C. DeWolf, Associate Editor of THE ALEPPO MONTHLY NEWS; Noble James R. Estes, Secretary-Treasurer; Noble William C. Towns, Past President; Noble Ayton F. Smith, Noble Frank Wesson, J. Albert Banks and C. Weston Russell.

Following the dinner, President Goff called a short business session to order at which he read a letter from former Secretary-Treasurer Norman D. MacLeod, informing the Nobles that he had been called to New York City to assume new duties with the Underwood-Elliott-Fisher Company and was therefore submitting his resignation. President Goff then formally introduced the newly-appointed Secretary-Treasurer, James R. Estes, who received an ovation. The President also read a letter from Noble Harvey B. Leggee, Assistant Recorder of Aleppo Temple and Editor-in-Chief of THE ALEPPO MONTHLY NEWS, pledging full co-operation in all efforts of the Worcester County Shrine Club to extend its beneficial influence.

Several highly interesting reels of motion pictures were shown the Nobles by Paul Mack Hale, proprietor of the restaurant and well known public figure in Worcester. Many of the views were taken aboard the Zeppelin "Hindenburg" on its maiden voyage, Mr. Mack Hale having been a round-trip passenger. In addition, he presented reels picturing life in the German city of Frankfort-on-Main and also pictures taken about the landing field at Lakehurst, N. J.

Following the showing of the pictures, Noble Clarence E. Robbins, President of the Robbins Entertainment Bureau, presented a floor show which met with the enthusiastic approval of the Nobles assembled.

Past President "Bill" Towns received a tremendous ovation upon entering the hall while the dinner was in progress. The entire assemblage arose from their seats and loudly applauded his entrance. It was a sincere tribute to one of Worcester's best-loved Nobles. "Bill" is a retired Boston and Albany locomotive engineer with forty years' service to his credit. He has been ill for the last several months, but is once more getting about "amongst the boys." Before sitting down, he passed among the tables shaking hands and greeting all Nobles.

Dr. Raymond E. Hooper spoke informally of a projected outing next year to be held at the Assabet Golf Club.

Nobles were present from Marlboro, Southbridge, Hudson, Milford, Upton and Worcester. Among well known figures present were Noble Robert P.

Adams, Past President and one of the founders of the Worcester County Shrine Club; Noble Charles L. McCarthy, Chief of the Worcester Fire Department; Noble Henry Douglass, Deputy Fire Chief; Noble Ralph A. Robbins, recently elected Grand Sword Bearer of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island; Noble Allyne W. Hixon, prominent Worcester florist; Noble Arthur Lecroix and Noble Myron Clemence of Southbridge; Noble Ellsworth Morse of Milford, Noble Ernest Renard of Marlboro, Noble Ward Edwards, well known Southbridge fuel merchant; Noble Shannon Nason and Noble Francis Gribble, both of Westboro; Noble Dr. H. L. Moore, Noble Alexander Skinner and Noble Dr. Feingold.

President Goff is planning further entertainment for the Nobles later in the Fall.

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Palestine Temple Dedicates New Convalescent Home in Springfield

Officers of New England Temple Assist in Ceremony

ON Sunday, October 18, 1936, the Officers and Uniformed Units of the New England Temples gathered in Springfield, Massachusetts, for the purpose of assisting Palestine Temple of Providence, Rhode Island, in the dedication of their new convalescent home.

The home is a gift of Noble Isaac B. Lawton, retired Pawtucket, Rhode Island, attorney, to Palestine Temple. This home will greatly facilitate the hospital work by convalescing the children who otherwise would convalesce in the beds of the main hospital, thus making it possible to increase the number of children to be treated.

For some time there has been a definite need for a home of this kind to augment



the service of the Springfield unit. At every stage in a child's recovery there is a period when there is no need of active hospitalization, and this convalescence period can be spent elsewhere than in the hospital. By providing this home, Noble Lawton has made it possible for the release of children from the hospital to make room for the reception of new patients.

The various Temples have undertaken the furnishing of individual rooms, and private individuals and business firms have seen to it that the very best of equipment has been obtained. It is, today, just what it started out to be, a thoroughly modern and up-to-date convalescent home.

All of the rooms in the home with the exception of five have been furnished by organizations and Shriners and their friends. There is a plate on the door of these rooms giving the name of donor and the name of the person in whose memory it was furnished.

Nobles, organizations and individuals are invited to furnish one or more of the remaining five rooms. This may be done at \$500 a room. Further information may be obtained by addressing Assistant Recorder James A. Rogers, Palestine Temple, 140 Fountain Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

The home, which is known as the Abbe Frances Lawton Memorial Home, has accommodations for 23 children. It will be in charge of Mrs. Joseph Ottone, R. N.

Opening the dedicatory program with a concert at the hospital by the massed bands of the Providence, Hartford and

Springfield Temples, a parade followed through Carew, Armory and Worthington Streets to the convalescent home where the exercises on the lawn began with an invocation by Noble P. Frank Cassidy of Sphinx Temple, Hartford, followed by group singing of "America" to music by the bands. The brief address of welcome was given by Noble Charles K. Shaw, Illustrious Potentate of Palestine Temple, Providence, who told of the happiness of the members of his organization over having been able to aid in the project. The Aleppo Chanters of 1935, under the direction of Noble Roy Harlow, sang "Finlandia," and the guests were introduced by Noble Earl C. Whelden of Providence, followed by another selection by the chanters.

Mayor Henry Martens extended the greetings of the city to the assembly and said that Springfield was proud indeed to add to its already large number of humanitarian services the convalescent home for crippled children from the six New England States. Noble Frederick S. Bushee of Providence, in presenting the deed of the home to Noble Charles K. Shaw, also of the Palestine Temple, related the history of the acquisition of

the property, lauding the generosity of Mr. Lawton and the eagerly-given cooperation of Temples in New England.

Mr. Shaw in his acceptance address, outlined the work of the home, and the dedication address of Rev. Noble Hugh B. Carpenter of Providence followed. Singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" by the assembly and benediction of Rev. Noble John H. Nolan, Chaplain of Melha Temple, concluded the program.

Among the guests introduced at the dedicatory exercises, who assisted in making the home possible, were: Past Potentate Clarence J. McKenzie of Aleppo; Mrs. Justin A. Duncan, Chair-lady of the 1935 Ladies' Committee of Aleppo, and Noble Roy Harlow, Leader of The Aleppo Chanters of 1935.



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BY NOBLE J. ARTHUR MCCOY

Associate Editor

THE members of the Patrol were pleased to receive a visit from our Chief Rabban, Harry Pollard, at the drill on October 9. During the illness of our Illustrious Potentate, Frank North, many of the duties of the Potentate have fallen upon the shoulders of the Chief Rabban. That he took the time out of his multitudinous Masonic activities and large business affairs to visit with us was doubly appreciated. In his brief talk he expressed his keen interest in the work of the uniformed bodies.

Noble George Weeks of the first platoon—Em. Sir Weeks in Commandery circles—was the installing officer at the public installation of St. Omer Commandery, Monday, October 19. Noble Byron Jackson, likewise of Aleppo and Past Commander of St. Omer, acted as Warder for the ceremony. Noble Norman S. Ramsay is the new Commander, vice our own Henry Foster of the second platoon. The installed officers included the following members of the Patrol: Nobles Russell Lynn, Senior Warden; William F. Sharpe, Standard Bearer; Artemas Wood, Prelate; George Weeks, Master of Ceremonies; Henry Foster and Alexander Campbell, Asst. Masters of Ceremony. On the escort are included Nobles Clyde Carter, Albert Carlson, Fred Y. Marshall, Andrew McCullach and Thatcher Taylor, also members of the patrol.

The new Boston Commandery line of officers includes three members of the Patrol in Nobles Gardiner Wilson, Captain General; Loren Lewis, Senior Warden, and Walter E. Duncan, Junior Warden.

Nobles George Weeks and Walter Duncan are likewise active in Boston Council. George Weeks is Captain of the Guard and Walter Duncan is Steward.

When we mentioned Noble Bill Kelley in last month's issue, and told of his new work in Connecticut, we had little idea that this month would find him ill with pleurisy at the Massachusetts General Hospital. The best wishes of the members are extended to him.

Noble C. Frank Waid, of the fourth platoon, and well known Boylston Street

photographer, is confined to his home in Belmont, with a broken ankle. The doctor says that Frank will be unable to get about again much before the end of November. Cheer up, Frank, we're rooting for you.

We see by the papers that our Col. Harry Cormerais was one of the principals in directing the movement of the great Republican torch-light parade in Boston, October 31. There's nothing but praise for "regimentation" as Harry does it.

Noble Harold J. Arnold, U. S. Army, again stationed at Boston after several years outside the state, has rejoined the second platoon. Harold was raised in Army-Navy Lodge, Ft. Monroe, Va. We also welcome to the Patrol, Noble Frank J. Marble, assigned to the fifth platoon. Frank is in the real estate business and a member of King Solomon Lodge, Signet Chapter, and Coeur de Lion Commandery.

Captain Arthur Hale and his Taleb Grotto Patrol, won the Haigis Trophy, as first prize in the recent competitive drills held during Omar's big anniversary celebration. It is a magnificent silver cup and was presented to the winning patrol at Quincy, October 16.

IN MEMORIAM

Noble George Sidney Hill
Departed October 18, 1936
Member of the Patrol in 1936



NEW ENGLAND SHRINE COUNCIL

SUNDAY afternoon, October 18, 1936, a meeting was held at the Hotel Kimball, Springfield, Massachusetts, attended by Potentates and representatives and interested officers of the New England Temples, at which time the idea of formulating the New England Shrine Council was brought to the attention of those present by Junior Past Potentate Clarence J. McKenzie of Aleppo Temple, who conceived the idea during his term of office as Potentate, and who has been working on the same for the past several months.

His program was adopted as a whole to become effective at the first Annual Meeting (after February 1, 1937). Illustrious Potentate Charles K. Shaw of Palestine Temple, Providence, R. I., was made Temporary Chairman and Noble Nedd W. Brown, Recorder of Melha Temple, Springfield, Massachusetts, Temporary Secretary.

During the last few years there has been a decided trend among the Temples of different localities to band together in some sort of Association or Council

for the mutual benefit which they may derive for themselves, and to elevate and extend the influence of the Order as a whole.

The purpose of these organizations is not to detract or infringe upon the pre-eminent authority and functions of the Imperial Council, but rather to assist that august body in solving the problems of the different localities which, from time to time, may be brought before them.

The wonderful work of the Crippled Children's Hospitals can be greatly assisted by the united effort, through an organization of this kind, which will always stand ready to work with the local Hospital units in bringing to the attention of a much larger field of workers the necessity for close co-operation in working out the problems which are continually confronting our Hospital Staff.

The object of the Council will be to promote cordiality and friendship among the ten Shrine Temples of New England, namely: MOUNT SINAI of Montpelier, Vermont; PYRAMID of Bridgeport, Connecticut; ALEPPO of Boston, Massachusetts; PALESTINE of Providence, Rhode Island; KORA of Lewiston, Maine; SPHINX of Hartford, Connecticut; CAIRO of Rutland, Vermont; BEKTASH of Concord, New Hampshire; MELHA of Springfield, Massachusetts, and ANAH of Bangor, Maine.

The New England Shrine Council will co-operate in exchanging information and policies adopted pertaining to increasing membership in our individual Temples and also with reference to arrearages, suspensions and reinstatements. It will work with the local hospital units. It will formulate plans for bigger and better Ceremonials by exchanging policies, stunts, and other things of interest to Shrinedom in general.



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The new Commander is a public accountant in Springfield, Massachusetts; Treasurer of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church of Springfield; Treasurer of the Springfield Masonic Temple Association, and President of the Cheney Washburn Undertaking Corporation.



NOBLE CHARLES T. CONVERSE

Noble Converse is a member of Samuel Osgood and Longmeadow Lodges, A. F. & A. M.; Tyrian Royal Arch Chapter; Hiram Council, Royal and Select Masters; Springfield Commandery No. 6, Knights Templars, and is a 32° member of Connecticut Valley Consistory A. A. S. R. of the Northern Jurisdiction for the U. S. A.

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A TRIP AROUND THE WORLD

NOBLE William E. Chenery, M. D., outlined to the Editor of THE ALEPPO MONTHLY NEWS in the following letter, the delightful trip around the world, he and his good wife are taking. They have already started at this date of publication.

"No doubt you will be interested to know that Mrs. Chenery and I are to start October 20 from Boston and sail from New York October 22 on the S. S. 'President Cleveland' of the Dollar Line for a trip around the world.

"This will take us to countries and places we have long wished to visit but did not on our previous trips. We shall be gone until the 22nd of May.

"Incidentally we stop first at Havana, then go through the Panama Canal to Los Angeles and San Francisco—on to Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe and Shanghai.

"We hope they will stop their fussing in China before we get there. If so, we shall stay a month in China. If not, we will go to the Philippines, Siam, Bangkok, Bali, Batavia, Burma, Calcutta and through the center of India to

Bombay; then take the Red Sea to Suez, Damascus and Babylon. Returning to Cairo, Egypt, we will go up to Luxor and visit the tombs.

"From there we will go over to England, arriving the 9th of May in time for the coronation, May 12, 1937. Immediately after that we shall return to Boston on the S. S. 'Scythia,' reaching home May 22 or 23, perhaps in time for the Spring Ceremonial.

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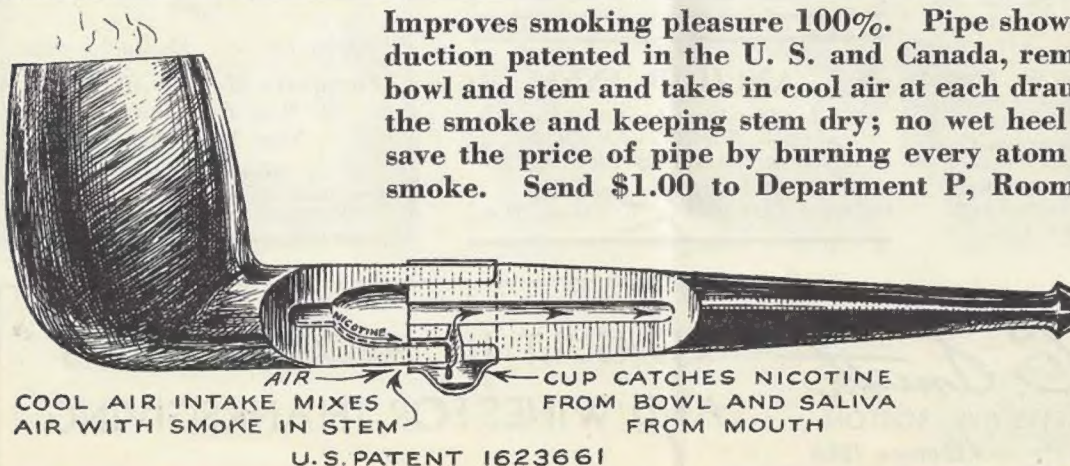
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BY NOBLE CHARLES C. FEARING
Associate Editor

"LIKE A FEATHER IN THE BREEZE"

THAT is about the condition of our mind when we squat before our trusty (or should we say rusty) typewriter to whack out a few notes for the band column.

Band rehearsals are in full swing again, although some familiar faces are missing. Burt Maxim is one, as he has been conspicuous by his absence lately. We miss his smiling countenance, and we wonder if the busses have stopped running down in East Weymouth. Possibly he hasn't harvested all his crops yet.

Noble Fred Goggin, our genial Quartermaster, had an inspiration and procured 25 new music racks. These will fill a long-felt want, and now when our back is turned we hope some guy will refrain from swiping ours.

"Si" Wilton, of the trombone section, was at the band room the other evening and seeing us operating a cigar-lighter inquired about it. Then he dug down and, first from one pocket then another, pulled out no less than three different styles of lighters. And, "Believe it or not," they all worked! We casually remarked that he must be a collector of those things and he replied that he could collect everything but his rents, and d—d if he could collect them. He further stated that when his friends inquired whether he owned a car, he used to say "No." Now when all his tenants own one or two per each he is not so sure that he ought not to say "Yes" as his rent money was evidently being used to pay for 'em. We sure sympathize with him.

"Allie" Gray, also of the trombone section, is back in Boston again after a long absence in York state, and we hope to see him at the band rehearsals in the near future. "Si" and "Allie" were roommates of ours on the Kansas City trip and we returned to Boston still good friends. Rooming with a couple of chaps for a week or so puts the acid test on friendship—you either get along amicably or vice versa.

We regret to report that the Black Camel has again knelt at the tent of one of our members. Noble Ezra Fisher, of the drum section, passed away on October 3, after a long illness. His funeral occurred on Monday, October 5. Some few years ago at one of the annual gatherings at the old Fairbanks house in

Dedham, Nobles Fisher, Jake Turner, (since deceased) and the writer staged "The Spirit of '76" with Ezra and Jake acting as the two drummers. Noble Fisher was a charter member of the band and was always ready to do his full share whenever the services of the band were required. We were roommates on that first trip to Buffalo, and have always had a warm spot in our heart for him ever since. We wish at this time to extend to his faithful helpmate our sincere and heart-felt sympathy in her bereavement.

We regret to say that our beloved leader, Walter Smith, is still on the sick list, and at present in the hospital. During his illness, Walter Junior is conducting the band and doing a good job of it. We hope and pray that he will speedily recover, and that once more we will see him on the rostrum with baton in hand, putting the boys through their paces. We miss his genial smile at the Monday night rehearsals.

Noble Arthur Kimball informs us that the pictures he took on the boat ride this summer came out fine, and that he will send us some copies. We will be glad to get them as it will prove to our better-half that we *were* where we *said* we *were* on that occasion.

C. C. F.



OUR INDIAN NOBLE

WHEN most people hear the word "Indian" they immediately think of colorful costumes, feathers, painted faces, tomahawks, and tepees, but we had a pleasant surprise at our last Ceremonial when we were introduced to one of our own Nobles of Aleppo, Samuel P. George, who is the only full-blooded Indian holding membership in our Temple, and who was not dressed in native garb when we met him.

In our conversation with this most interesting Noble, we ascertained the

fact that he resides in Worcester, Massachusetts, and belongs to two Blue Lodges in Massachusetts—Morning Star and Rose of Sharon. He is also an active member and takes part in the degree work of the first three Scottish Rite bodies in Worcester, his Consistory membership being in Massachusetts Consistory in Boston.

Noble George, who is a member of one of the six tribes of Iroquois, attended Hampton Institute of Virginia, where he learned the machinist's trade and the rudiments of drafting. Since leaving the Institute, he has been employed in Worcester as a tool-designer.

It was only natural that Noble George, being accustomed to tribal traditions, would gravitate toward the ceremonial of



NOBLE SAMUEL P. GEORGE

the splendid Order of Red Men. He is a Past Sachem of Cherokee Tribe, Red Men of Worcester, having served in that high office in 1921, and is again one of the line officers of that organization.

Some of the Temples in the Western States have several Nobles in their membership who are Indians, but we here in Boston feel it a great honor to have this thoroughly red-blooded, one hundred per cent American listed as a member of Aleppo.

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SOUTH SHORE SHRINERS

THE Southeastern Massachusetts Shrine Club will swing into action for a busy winter season with a meeting Thursday evening, December 3. With attention devoted to important business details, an interesting entertainment will be presented, together with a chowder supper to be served at 6.30 o'clock.

The Board of Officers met Monday evening, October 26, and also started plans for the annual Christmas Party for Crippled Children. On the recommendation of the supervisory Christmas Tree Committee, Noble Albert B. Cook, Chairman, it was decided to comply with the usual custom of holding this party on the Sunday immediately preceding Christmas, which will be December 20.

Consideration of an event to be held during January was given by the Officers and a further meeting will be held shortly to formulate a definite report for the general meeting of the Club on December 3. It has been the ambition of many of the Club to repeat the very successful public concert of the Aleppo Band. The former event was held in 1931 and filled the New Bedford Armory to capacity. Club officials are now making an effort to present the Band early in the coming year.

It is expected that the Crippled Children's Party at Christmas-time will accomplish greater results than any of those which have been held previously. This will be the tenth conducted by the Club and, with a bit of holiday and birthday spirit combined, every effort will be extended. It is a fine work that the Shriners of Southeastern Massachusetts have done with crippled children of their section and so much in line with the general Shrine program. During the years since the idea of Christmas parties was inaugurated, 249 children have participated. While these annual affairs in themselves have provided not only worthwhile cheer but practical purpose, they have served to a far greater extent, for the contacts have created interest

throughout the year. Many of these children have received the chance of hospitalization at Springfield and a large number of the families of the unfortunate have been helped through means of aid and attention. An invitation is broadcast by the Shrine Club to all Nobles and members of their families to assist in carrying out the plans for a Merry Christmas for crippled children. In the past the greater number of the children lived in and around New Bedford, but the officials of the Shrine Club wish to emphasize the fact that crippled children throughout the district should have the opportunity of attending. It is the duty of the Nobles to see that such youngsters are given the chance. And to all Nobles the Shrine Club makes the appeal of a single dollar donation to enable this party to be held in the spirit and accomplishment that are the aim of the Shrine.

Reports received on the Annual Outing the Club held in September have shown a fine return, particularly from the social side. The Club members are pleased to learn that the boys from Worcester and the "gang" from the Degree Staff so well enjoyed the day in the woods and the efforts to provide a real program. It is quite apparent that there is keen regret among the many who did not avail themselves of the chance to indulge in the day's events, but there is evidence that next year's Outing will be a sell-out. The Club will start plans early in the year and invite the active participation of not only the Degree Staff and the Worcester Shrine Club but other authorized groups.

Chairman James Lees, Walter A. Butler, Walter W. Johnson, members of the Club's Finance Committee, are working with Secretary Davis and Treasurer Dean to develop a new finance plan. A report will be rendered at the December meeting.

Elmer Whitmarsh, head of the Membership Committee, announces that there will be some action from now on. Due bills will be issued for 1937 charges and

a quick and close checkup will be made by the Committee. In addition, a complete survey is to be started to enlist Nobles of the district who have not as yet joined the Club. Membership is, of course, open to Shriners of any Temple in good standing, and for one dollar certainly one affiliates with a live crowd of Nobles who are carrying out the organization's purpose and tradition to the fullest degree.



BAY STATE MASONS TO ATTEND EUROPEAN INSTALLATION

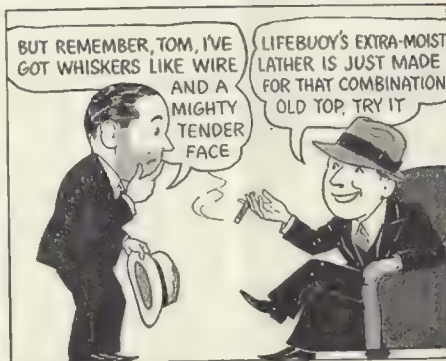
NOBLE Claude L. Allen of Melrose, Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, and two other members of the Masonic Order of the State will attend the installation of the Duke of York as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, at the 200th anniversary of the Grand Lodge, on November 30, 1936.

Noble Allen will be accompanied by his Grand Marshal, T. Frederick Brunton, and Illustrious Noble Melvin Maynard Johnson, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council, 33° Masons, for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States.

While visits with high-ranking Masons have been arranged for the Massachusetts representatives in Copenhagen, Paris, Berlin, London and other cities in Europe and the British Isles, the most important event on the program is the installation of the Duke of York in Edinburgh on St. Andrew's Day.

Last year a party of distinguished Masons from abroad visited the United States and invited 50 American Masons, including Grand Master Claude L. Allen, to the installation of the Prince of Wales as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Scotland. After the death of King George, however, it was decided that the honor should go to the Duke of York. High ranking British Masons declared it undesirable that the offices of the reigning Sovereign and Grand Master should rest in the same person.

A NEW SHAVING SURPRISE!

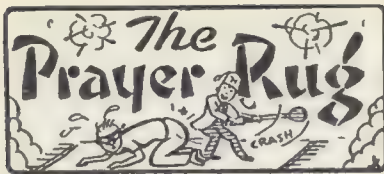


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BY NOBLE J. HOWARD MACAULAY
Associate Editor

AT this writing, Director "Stan" Stedfast has everything in readiness for the October Ceremonial. The program for the Second Division is complete and rehearsed. We are to have, as our guests, Directors from the following Temples: Palestine Temple, Providence, Rhode Island; Sphinx Temple, Hartford, Connecticut; Kora Temple, Lewiston, Maine, and Melha Temple, Springfield, Massachusetts.

The Engineering Department, as usual, has all the equipment in readiness, and Lieutenant Hartshorn reports the desert sand to be hotter than ever.

Noble Wilbur Parker, of our Engineering Department, was installed on Monday, September 28, as Warden in Beausant Commandery, No. 41, Malden. This, in addition to his other Masonic activities, makes Wilbur one of the busiest men in the outfit.

We are happy to report the complete recovery of Mrs. Grant Chandler, who has been seriously ill for the past few months.

Mrs. "Andy" Stenberg, after returning home from eleven happy weeks spent on Cape Cod, attended a Masonic picnic, where she injured her knee so severely that she has been confined to her bed for the past few weeks. We hope for a rapid recovery.

What has happened to Gunnar, Zep, Russ MacDonald, Andy Gray, and other old regulars? Why not come in and see us at 6.15 most any Friday evening?

At a special meeting of the Shrine Prayer Rug Club of Boston, held Friday evening, October 16, it was voted that dues for the year January 1, 1937 to December 31, 1937 are to be \$1.00. Membership cards are to be issued. These cards will admit members to any Masonic Club in the United States. All present and past members of the Degree Staff are eligible for membership, and are most cordially invited to join.

Preparations are being made for the Halloween Party. Full report will be given next month.

This Shrine Luncheon of October 27 was a huge success in so far as the Degree Staff was concerned. Lieut. "Andy" Stenberg drew, as his prize, a trip to New York. Noble George Lewis received a pound of coffee which, according to George, just about balanced the budget, inasmuch as George provided cigars for Noble "Mich" Hambro.

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SCOTTISH RITE NEWS

BY NOBLE HOWARD A. FLANDERS
Associate Editor

THE Most Puissant Sovereign Grand Commander of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, U. S. A., Illustrious Melvin Maynard Johnson, left on a European trip, sailing Thursday, October 27, 1936, from New York on the S. S. "Ile de France."

Illustrious Johnson has a pretentious program mapped out. He will have an informal meeting in Paris with the Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council of Continental Europe. He is to be received by the King of Denmark, in Copenhagen. He is to be tendered a dinner by the King of Sweden at Stockholm. At Oslo, Norway, he will contact officers of the Grand Lodge. At London, England, the Earl of Donoughmore is to tender a dinner in his honor, with members of the Supreme Council of England in attendance.

Accompanying Illustrious Johnson on the extensive trip will be Mrs. Johnson and daughter; Illustrious Noble Claude L. Allen, Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, and Mrs. Allen; Illustrious Noble T. Frederick Brunton, Grand Marshal of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, and Mrs. Brunton, and Mr. Ralph Sleeper, Secretary to Noble Johnson.

Present plans are that the party will return to the United States December 14, 1936, on the S. S. "Queen Mary."

The regular meeting of Massachusetts Consistory was held October 23, 1936, and was favored with the largest class of candidates for a long time.

One very pleasant feature of this meeting was the presenting of a 33° jewel by the Giles F. Yates Council, Princess of Jerusalem, to Most Worshipful Grand Master Claude L. Allen, who is the High Priest of the Princes—the second office in line. The presentation speech was made by Noble Judge Bert E. Holland, Senior Past Sovereign Prince of Giles F. Yates Council, Princes of Jerusalem, in a most happy manner.

Scottish Rite Masons and all others are greatly pleased to learn that Frank A. North, Most Wise Master of Mount Olivet Chapter of Rose Croix, is rapidly recovering from a long illness. We are all looking forward with pleasure to his being with us once again.



A LETTER FULL OF GRATITUDE

ONE of our well-known Patrol members, Noble Fred Richardson, of Lynn, Massachusetts, who has been a member of the Patrol for 25 years, showed us a letter which interested us so much that we are quoting it. This letter was written by a child in the Shrine Hospital at Springfield, who is a daughter of a Shriner, and in whom Fred became interested and assisted in entering her in the Shrine Hospital. Read her letter:

"Dear Mr. Richardson:

"I want to thank you again for your interest. You have been very kind. I can not begin to tell you how much they have done for me. I am very grateful. I am so much better than when I came here.

"They are spending a lot of money for me. They are getting me braces. My braces I think cost about one hundred dollars for one brace. I have two braces.

"I never told any one but sometimes at home I wondered if I would ever walk again. Now I know I am getting better. I have you and the rest of the Shriners to thank. They are fair. They take care of all kinds of children.

"There is one little Indian girl here. She has a doll and the doll goes wherever she goes. If you go near her she bites and screams.

"If you ask her her name she tells you in Indian. Although she is a mite wild she is cute.

"I want to thank you again before I close. I am very thankful to you and the rest of the Shriners.

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SOUTH SHORE • NEWS •

By NOBLE GEORGE A. RHODES
Associate Editor

THE Lodges are all running at top speed with the accelerator jammed to the floor. Possibly the biggest event of October was Past District Deputies Night in Theodore Roosevelt Lodge the night of the visitation of Rt. Wor. Everett E. Weatherbee, District Deputy Grand Master of the 26th Masonic District. He was accompanied by all the Past District Deputies of the 26th since Theodore Roosevelt Lodge was instituted in 1919. At the conclusion of the ceremony, the "Pasts" worked the last sections of the Master Mason degree. Mr. Weatherbee is Past Master of the Lodge. Wor. Charles H. Allard, the Master, had a schedule worked out which gave each of the Deputies a part in the work.

Quincy Commandery, K. T., worked the Order of the Red Cross and Order of Malta at their meeting October 26. They had a harvest supper early in the evening. On October 25, they attended the Men's Bible Class of Quincy services in the State Theatre. A goodly number of the Sir Knights in uniform were headed by Commander Frederick W. Phillips. The president of the Bible Class is John E. Walsh, Past Commander of Quincy K. T. The Bible Class is non-denominational and meets at nine every Sunday morning with an average attendance of 700.

South Shore Commandery, K. T., Weymouth, had a couple of candidates to ballot upon and start through the works October 22. They had a supper in Masonic Temple, East Weymouth, put on by a group of Eastern Star women. September 30, Em. Sir Eben H. Cain, Recorder since 1903, died suddenly at his home in Hingham. He was 73 years of age and was installed for the 33rd time a few evenings before his death. He was a member of all the Masonic bodies of the South Shore. Commander W. Howard Mills has planned an extensive program for the next two months, with a big New Year's Eve party the 31st of December.

The Quincy Masonic Association held its annual Hallowe'en Party the 31st, with the presiding officers of four of the leading Orders in the city not affiliated with Masonry as the costume

judges, with their wives or husbands, including the Grand Knight of Quincy Council, K. of C.; Noble Grand of John Hancock Lodge, I. O. O. F.; Chief Daughter of the Daughters of Scotia, and Noble Grand of George L. Gill Rebekah Lodge. It proved a great success.

Quincy is in the midst of a Community Chest drive, and practically every speaker as well as the leaders are members of some fraternal order, with many a Shrine emblem in evidence at headquarters. When Quincy wants action, it calls upon its lodges and it gets it!



TWENTY-FIVE YEARS MARRIED

ON Monday, August 3, 1936, Noble Arthur W. Russell and Mrs. Russell celebrated their Twenty-fifth (Silver) Wedding Anniversary at their home, 41 Sewall Street, Winter Hill, Somerville, Massachusetts. Calls were received from many friends, and cards, letters and telegrams of congratulation came from New England relatives, from New York, and from old business associates in the West. Many beautiful gifts were received, and in the evening, still more friends called to extend the happy couple their best wishes.

Noble and Mrs. Russell were married in Somerville on August 3, 1911, by Rev. Harry Adams Hersey, then pastor of the West Somerville Universalist Church.

Noble Russell is a native of Somerville, and the son of Henry and Julia Russell. He was graduated from the Prescott School, and attended the Somerville High School.

Noble Russell started in the hat business in 1896 with North, Fiske and Co., of Boston, the senior partner of this firm being the father of our present Illustrious Potentate Frank A. North. From 1909 to 1930, he was president and treasurer of the Swan-Russell Company, well-known hat manufacturers. For the past five years he has been New England representative for Edward P. Cunningham, Inc., New York, manufacturers of men's hats.

He was a member of the Somerville Board of Aldermen from Ward 5, in 1923, 1924, and 1925.

He is a life member of the following Masonic organizations: John Abbott Lodge, A. F. & A. M., Somerville Royal Arch Chapter, Orient Council, Boston Commandery, Knights Templar, and Aleppo Temple Order of the Mystic Shrine.

Noble Russell is also a member of the Somerville Lodge of Elks and was for many years a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston.

Both Noble and Mrs. Russell are members of the Highland Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star.



COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP

THE Imperial Potentate, in his attempt to build up the membership of the Shrine nationally, has appointed a National Committee on Membership. The Potentate of each Temple has been asked to appoint a chairman of the Membership Committee of his Temple to assist in this program.

In connection with this work, Illustrious Potentate Frank A. North announces the appointment of Harvey B. Leggee, Assistant Recorder, as the chairman for Aleppo Temple.


Noble Leggee attended the first meeting of the chairmen of the New England section, held at Springfield, October 18, 1936, and reports that a concerted drive will be made throughout New England to obtain new members, affiliate demitted members and restore suspended members in sufficient numbers to cut down the losses of the past few years.

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NOBLE SHAFFER PASSES ON

ONE of the oldest Shriners in North America, Illustrious Noble Philip Caton Shaffer, Past Imperial Potentate, passed away at his summer home in Wildwood Crest, New Jersey, September 4, 1936, at the age of eighty-four years.

Past Imperial Potentate Shaffer was a familiar figure at the sessions of the Imperial Council, and the memory of his kindly greetings, his wonderful companionship, and his devotion to the interests of the Shrine will continue to be an inspirational influence in the activities of that body.

He was a pillar of strength to Lu Lu Temple, and during the fifty-three years of its existence, he had always held some official position in the Temple. He gave in unstinted measure of his time and talents to the progress and welfare of the Temple. He has left us a record of service, both in his local Temple and in the Imperial Council, worthy of emulation and perpetuation. His noblest, most enduring and most inspiring expression was his own personality. He exemplified in his daily contacts the noblest human ambition—to "do justly, love mercy and walk humbly."

Illustrious Noble Shaffer was born in the City of Philadelphia on October 7, 1851. He was educated in the public schools of his native city and in the Peirce School of Business Administration. Prior to his election as Recorder of Lu Lu Temple in 1912, he conducted a retail furniture business at 1216 Market Street in the City of Philadelphia, where for several years he took a prominent part in the business life of the city.

He was a member of scores of Masonic organizations in Pennsylvania, and had been for many years a 33° Mason. In all these bodies, the record of Past Imperial Potentate Shaffer in the Shrine stands out as one of his major fraternal activities. He was a charter member of Lu Lu Temple, and carried card No. 6 at the organization of Lu Lu Temple on December 31, 1883, and ten days later was elected the first Oriental Guide of this organization. Practically three years later he was honored in his selection as Illustrious Potentate of the Temple and served in this capacity for three years. He was soon selected for official preferment in the Imperial Council and was elevated to the position of Imperial Potentate of the Imperial Council on June 12, 1901, and served in that capacity to June 11, 1902. His outstanding ability and service resulted in his election to the Recordship of Lu Lu Temple in December, 1912, and he served in this capacity until January, 1935, when, at his own request, he was elected Recorder Emeritus. He was the last surviving charter member of the Temple, having been associated with a small band of thirty or more Scottish Rite Masons in the organization of that body in 1883. For half a century, from 1884 until 1934, he attended every session of the Imperial Council, a record that stands out pre-eminently in the history of the Shrine. On account of his long association in the fraternity, he held membership in the Masonic Veterans and the Masonic Ancients of the City of Philadelphia.

The funeral services were held from the funeral home of Frederick Mann, Jr., at 2:00 P. M., on Tuesday, Sep-

tember 8. He was accorded the honor of a Masonic funeral, which was largely attended by his many Shrine and Masonic friends. The services were conducted by Rev. Richard Radcliffe, Honorary 33°, of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, and Rev. William Barnes Lower, Chaplain of Lu Lu Temple. His remains were laid to rest in Mount Vernon Cemetery in the City of Philadelphia, where he had spent so many useful years of his life and among the people he had loved and served.

The many honors which came to Past Imperial Potentate Shaffer, and the many positions of trust which he filled bear abundant testimony of the value of his life to his fellowmen. As we contemplate the far-reaching influence of his long and useful career, we are reminded of the famous quotation from St. Paul, one of the greatest intellects of ancient times: "I have fought a good fight; I have finished my course; I have kept the Faith."



DAUGHTERS OF THE NILE

OPPELA Temple, Daughters of The Nile, has had a most happy Summer with outings at the homes of Noble and Mrs. Noffsinger in Canton, Noble and Mrs. Folsom in Mattapoisett, Noble and Mrs. Hanson in North Hanover, Noble and Mrs. Ward in Braintree. For all of these trips, the weather man was most kind.

There were other parties held at the homes of several members, which were equally as enjoyable as the outings.

Regular sewing meetings have started for the Fall, in Cambridge, with the Chairman, Mrs. Dougan.

Many of our ladies enjoyed a very happy day with Aleppo Temple at Suffolk Downs, last August, for which we thank you.

Supreme Queen Maude E. Luxford of El Mejdol Temple, Denver, Colorado, will pay Oppela Temple an official visit the latter part of November, for our Annual Inspection.

Our Queen Maude M. Cunningham, her officers and the members are looking forward to this visitation with pleasure.



SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS!

WE hear that Noble Frank H. Chamberlain and Mrs. Chamberlain of 45 Hobart Road, Newton, Massachusetts, will celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary (Fifty Long, Happy Years) on November 9, 1936.

Noble Chamberlain has been a member of Aleppo Temple since 1913, and is the well-known hatter, conducting his business on Washington Street, Boston, for over a half-century.

In the classic language of our Illustrious Potentate, we would say: "Ad Multos Annos," but in the simpler style let us say: "May you both be granted many more years of marital happiness together."

In Memoriam



DEATHS

Reported October 1, to October 31, 1936

WM. F. BARTHOLOMEW
MELVIN E. COBLEIGH
EZRA R. FISHER
GEORGE S. HILL
WILLIAM H. INGRAM
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HERBERT A. RICE
OSCAR S. STAPLES
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The officers of Aleppo Temple express their sympathy to the families and friends of the worthy Nobles who have passed through the portals of the "Unseen Temple." We mourn their departure. May they forever live on in our memory.

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THE MORSE CODE

By NOBLE JAKE MORSE,
Associate Editor

NOBLE Mayor Charles S. Ashley of New Bedford, Massachusetts, finishing his thirtieth year as the chief executive, has indicated that he intends to retire from public life. He has held the position of the Mayoralty longer than any one who ever directed a municipality in this country. He is President of the Mayors' Club of Massachusetts.

He made the announcement of his retirement while discussing the restoration of pay cuts for policemen—a situation that gave rumors in reports to a strike. While discussing the salary restoration problem, Mayor Ashley said he hoped to restore some of the cuts before he went out of office, but that he did not care to be a candidate for Mayor again and probably won't be.

"No one would like to restore the pay cuts of city employees more than I," he declared, adding that "during the last two years, I had hoped to restore at least a portion of their reduced wages before I went out of office. When you consider, however, a loss of revenue by the city of more than \$4,000,000, occasioned by the decreased valuation of the city from \$220,000,000 to about \$116,000,000, you can understand why pay restorations are not in order now."

Noble Charles H. Sargent, Assistant Steward, and his son, Mr. Charles H. Sargent, Jr., of the Masonic Service Bureau have recently returned from an extended tour of Europe. They sailed on the S. S. "Manhattan" of the United States Lines, and visited London; Hook of Holland; the Hague, Holland; Cologne, Germany; up the River Rhine to Mainz, then to Heidelberg; Basel, Switzerland; Lucerne, Switzerland; and Paris, France.

They sailed for home from LeHavre, France, after a most delightful trip, with beautiful weather, and not a rainy day during their stay in Europe.

It will be of interest to some of our old-timers to hear that "Bert" Wetmore, who joined Aleppo in 1892, was married on Saturday, October 6, 1936, to Mrs. Laura Louise Adams, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. G. L. Hancock, 100 Oakley Road, Belmont, Massachusetts.

Many friends and relatives attended the ceremony. The happy couple have the cordial wishes of Aleppo Temple.

NOBLE RINES CREATES NEW RHYTHM FOR DANCING

MANY of our Nobles had a pleasant surprise Sunday morning, November 1, when they tuned in their radios to the local station of NBC's Blue Network and received a new program under the direction of Noble Joe Rines of Aleppo.

Noble Joe started his radio career at the old WGI radio station at Medford Hillside, when the crystal set was amazing the world. Since that time, he has worked his way up from the "one-string fiddle" to one of our leading maestros.

An interesting feature of "Dress Rehearsal," the new show of Noble Joe Rines, which had its premiere Sunday morning, November 1, is the unusual hour for a comedy program. It will be heard in the future from 11:30 to 12:00 noon Sundays over NBC's Blue Network.

There's plenty of fun-making Sunday afternoon and evening, but here's a pioneer network program of this type for Sunday mornings. The show stars Noble Joe Rines, who introduces for the first time a new rhythm in dance music.

In creating a new rhythm for modern dancing, the maestro has followed the old adage that "History repeats itself."

"Even in the remote jungle cannibal days, rhythm was the important thing for dancing," says Joe, who has been starred on the air waves longer than any other orchestra leader.

"The savages could dance to the beat of the tom-tom. That was rhythm. Later on, the civilized world embellished on the tom-tom and began the use of string instruments," Noble Rines explained; "at all times, however, rhythm was the factor. For many years the minuets, gavottes, polkas and reels were the sophisticated dancing melodies; it was their lilting, twinkling rhythms that lived on to inspire dancing."

He has taken the rhythm of those same minuets and is using them as a background for the new modern song hits. For example, you may hear the sonorous strains of a famous mazurka reflected lightly in the distance, while the melody of "Bye Bye Baby" is predominating. These themes are so cleverly woven together that at no time do you lose the melody of the new swing tune. The result is a delightful tickling sensation that makes you want to dance.

Mabel Albertson, radio "gag" writer, Pinky Lee, the lisping comedian, and Morton Bowe, popular tenor, will be assisting artists. Tune in Sunday mornings and hear this latest creation by one of our popular Nobles.

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able and is submitted by Robert L. Rip-
ley, of "Ripley, Believe It or Not" fame:

A baseball team can make one double,
two singles, three triples and steal two
bases—all in one inning—without scor-
ing a run.

She: "Do you think we should recog-
nize Russia?"

He: "The way things have been, I
can't even recognize the United States."

The mother who couldn't cook without
burning herself now has a daughter who
can't open a tin can without cutting her-
self.

"Who's that blonde over there?"

"Why, that's Mrs. Wright."

"Man, I'd rather be Wright than Presi-
dent."

Chief Petty Officer: "The enemy are
as thick as peas. What shall we do?"

Officer of the Deck: "Shell them, you
idiot, shell them!"

MacFarland: "Are you fond of mov-
ing pictures?"

She (hopefully): "Yes, Mac."

MacFarland: "Then maybe, lass, you'll
help me get a half dozen doon out o' the
attic."

In one of the southern states, says a
story Glover Hastings sent us, a negro
felt that he had been "called to preach."
So he applied for admission to the min-
istry and submitted to an examination by
a minister. The examination proceeded
as follows:

"Can you read, Sam?"

"No, suh!"

"Can you write?"

"No suh, I caint write; but my wife,
she kin write, suh!"

"Well, do you know the Bible?"

"Oh, yes, suh, I'se pritty good in de
Bible, suh; I knows my Bible from lid
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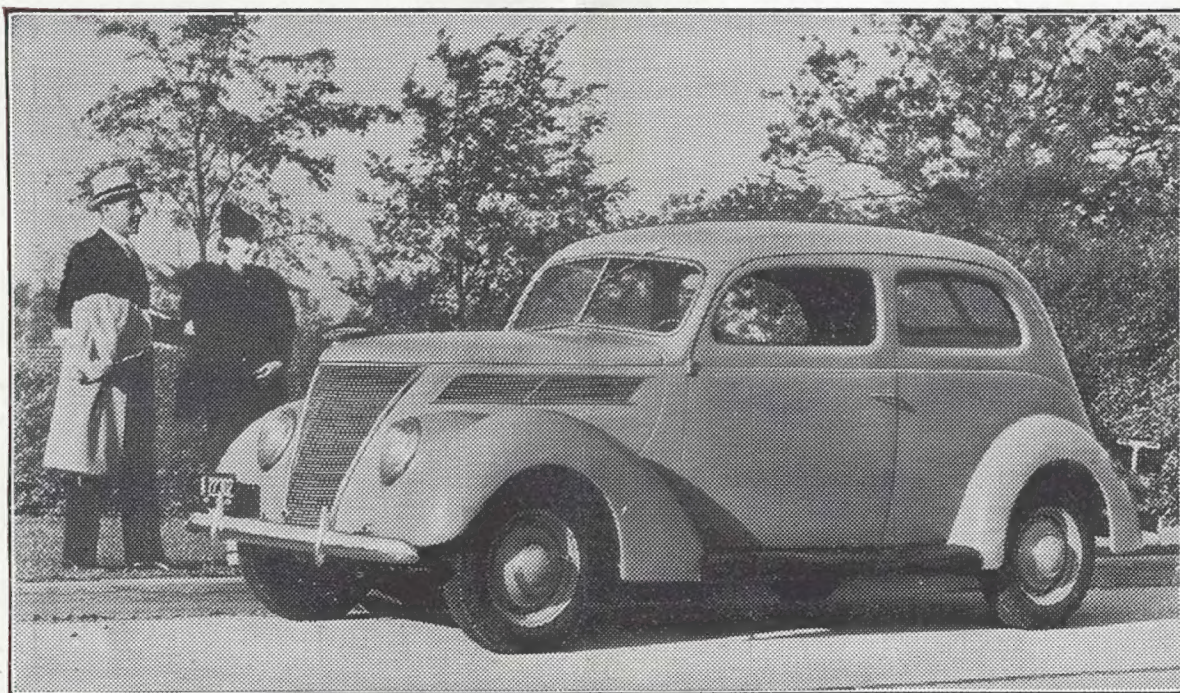
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